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WINTER STILL LINGERS

More Snow Falls and the Mercury in the Thermometer This Morning Was Down to 7 Degrees.

Notwithstanding the pronostication of the Weatner Bureau, last night was cold and early risers this morning found another snow storm in progress with the mercury in the thermometer down to 7 degrees above zero.

Conditions outdoors were bleak, and the gift of Prometheus was never more appreciated by those within doors, than it has been throughout most of the land during the past few days.

The ice in the river grows thicker daily, and, as has been the case during the prevailing blizzard, only the Norfolk steamers and government tugboats manage to forge their way through it.

The steamer Northland, due at Alexandria at 6 o'clock this morning did not reach her wharf until 10:20. The delay was caused, in part, by the steamer being compelled to stay at Old Point about an hour last night Her officers report ice all the way from Point Lookout. Heavy gorges at Maryland Point, Indian Head, Fort Washington and other places caused the steamer some difficulty.

Snow has been flying during most of the day, rendering outdoor avocations difficult. The market court this morning was as quiet as a grave yard. There were no signs of life anywhere except inside the building where butchers were furnishing a few buyers with some of the necessaries of life.

The weather officials say the indications are for warmer weather tomorrow.

CAN'T PREACH BOLSHEVIKISM.

Amazed at What a Russian Admits He Said in Public, Urging Workers to Revolt.

Media, Pa., Jan. 2.—When William Derman, one of two defendants charged with treason, inciting to riot and resisting an officer, was on the witness stand Monday afternoon in his own defense, Judge Johnson turned to the defendant, who had admitted that he talked at a meeting in Chester on April 1 of last year on "Does the workingman need revolution and what kind?" Judge Johnson said:

"I want to know what a citizen of Russia has to do, teaching any kind of revolution in this country. Don't you know you cannot change the laws of this country by revolution, and that your preaching revolution or any such doctrine is highly improper? It is improper for you to even suggest changing the laws here. You are not a citizen, and if you were you would not be permitted to preach revolutionary doctrine."

With these words Judge Johnson stopped the oratory of the witness, who gave a long declaration of what he had said at the Chester meeting.

Sheriff John E. Heyburn, Jr., testified that he had heard parts of the alleged seditious utterances, and Peter E. Steik said he had heard the defendant say that the laboring classes must throw off by force the capitalists and take over their manufacturing plants, stores, ships, mines and railroads. "The President and Congress are good for nothing."

AUTOMOBILES COLLIDE.

Two Machines Meet Headon on Duke Street Extended Last Night.

There was a collision between two automobiles about ten o'clock last night in what was formerly West End, but now Duke street extended. John Davis was in one of the cars and Mr. Eddington in the other. Davis left the scene with his auto shortly after the accident. No one was hurt it is reported. It is not known which machine was responsible for the collision. A young woman was in one of the autos.

Notice to Red Men.

The entire membership of Osceola Tribe No. 1, I. O. R. M., is hereby notified to be present at the lodge room at 7:30 p. m., Jan. 2, 1918, on account of business of the utmost importance. The said business is of such a nature that every member is expected to be present.

G. C. CONNER,
Chief of Records.

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TWO BLOCKS DESTROYED

Mysterious Fires in Business Centre of Norfolk —Loss $2,000,000 — Twelve Aliens Are Arrested.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2.—As a result of the series of fires in Norfolk yesterday, believed of alien enemy origin, twelve aliens, are in custody. Others also were taken into custody, interrogated closely by the authorities and released. Those detained were J. M. Walthall, Ohio; Frederick N. Bisler, Otto Rupp and wife, Ohio; Hugo Schmidt, Ohio; Lewis Craig, Virginia; Harry Syptowitz, M. Wintermanel and Mrs. Ida Wintermanel, Ohio; John and Otto Emmes and Wilhelm Jacob Antonio.

Nearly two blocks in the heart of Norfolk's business district, including the Monticello Hotel, were destroyed, one fireman was killed and a score more injured in a series of explosions and fires yesterday which both the police and naval authorities believe were incendiary. The fire had been checked last night, but still was burning fiercely in the ruins. The loss is roughly estimated at more than $2,000,000.

The fire started in a lunch room on Grady street.

Three distinct explosions in as many buildings, one after the fire virtually had been brought under control, led to the general belief that enemy agents were at work. Mayor Mayo placed the city under the control of the military authorities by turning the situation over to naval officers, and some 2,500 marines and blue jackets from nearby naval stations assisted the police and home guards in maintaining order and preventing vandalism.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2.—Fire broke out in Portsmouth, Va., just across the Elizabeth River from Norfolk, about 1:45 o'clock this morning. Four or five residences and two or three barns have already been razed. The fire is at Nelson and Chestnut streets. The origin is unknown. The fire was not under control at 3 o'clock.

Newport News, Va., Jan. 2.—Fire which last night destroyed three negro dwellings near Camp Stuart threatened the camp for two hours or more. There were thousands of soldiers quartered in the camp. The alarms were turned in through the camp telephone exchange, which led to the belief that the camp was burning.

A false alarm called a second fire company two miles from the camp a few minutes before a second alarm was sent in from the camp as a precautionary measure. Business houses and firms near the water front today were warned by Department of Justice agents to keep a careful watch for incendiaries.

COSSACKS RESUME BATTLE.

Korniloff is Reported Dead—Famine in Moscow.

Dispatches from Petrograd say the battle between the Kaledines cossacks and bolsheviki troops has been resumed at Kursk, midway between Moscow and Rostov on the Don. It is reported that there have been heavy casualties in the three day's fighting.

The bolsheviki are reported to have occupied Poltava, the scene of the historic battle between Peter the Great and Charles of Sweden.

There is a famine in the government of Moscow.

M. Avskentieff, former president of the council of the republic, has been arrested and taken to the SS. Peter and Paul fortress.

London, Jan. 2—A dispatch from Petrograd says there is an unconfirmed report that Lieut. Gen. L. G. Korniloff, former commander-in-chief of the Russian armies, is dead.

Stockholm, Jan. 2.—Ukrainian and cossack forces, in a great battle on the southwestern front, have defeated bolsheviki troops, taking 400 prisoners and capturing 8 big guns and 828 machine guns, according to a dispatch received by the Dagens Nyheter from Petrograd by way of Haparanda.

The cossacks are in hot pursuit of the bolsheviki.

Notice Royal Arch Chapter.

The stated communication of Mt Vernon Royal Arch Chapter No. 14 will be held on Friday evening, Jan. 4, 1918, at 7:30 o'clock. Come and enjoy the evening.

2-2t. A. G. Uhler, Secretary.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mr. Charles E. Meade, of Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Meade, 502 Cameron street.

Automobile license tags are moving slowly from the station house where they were sent from Richmond recently. Only ten days remain for owners of machines to obtain licenses. After that time owners of unlicensed machines will be summoned before the Police Court to show cause why they should not be fined.

A company of little people enjoyed a delightful surprise birthday party given for Margaret DeVaughan, the little four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis DeVaughan, 604 Prince street, yesterday afternoon. Among the happy youngsters present were Elizabeth Jones, Charlotte Jones, Mildred Kenley, Edna Kenley, Harriet Stout, Mildred Roxbury, Regina Greene, Carol Greene, and Joseph Jones.

Officers weer elected last night by Oriental Lodge No. 6, Knights of Pythias, as here given: G. C. Conner, chancellor commander; Smith Williams, vice chancellor; H. Friedlander, prelate Charles O. Emerson, master of temple; E. R. Boyer, keeper of records and seal; A. J. Butcher, master of finance; George W. Bontz, master of exchequer; R. H. Hancock, inside guard; J. M. Wells, outside guard. These officers were installed by L. D. Sullivan, deputy grand chancellor.

Tonight's meeting in the series of union services which are being held by the protestant churches of the city, will be held in the Second Presbyterian church, at which the Rev. Dr John Lee Allison will be the speaker. Tomorrow night the service will be held in the Methodist Protestant church, the Rev. A. E. Spielman being the speaker, while Friday night's meeting will take place in Christ Episcopal church, at which the Rev. Dr. Eugene B. Jackson will officiate.

The funeral of Mrs. Susannah Fairfax, who died Sunday evening at the residence of her daughter, Mrs Randolph Davis, 507 Prince street, was held this morning from the house this morning at 10 o'lock. Rev W. J. Morton officiating and interment was in the Presbyterian cemetery. The deceased was the widow of Thomas M. Fairfax and was a native of Fairfax county. Three children survive her: Mrs. Randolph Davis, Mrs. Samuel Rea of Washington and Milton S. Fairfax.

Wallace Reid Tonight.

In "Nan of Music Mountain," which is his most recent Paramount picture, young Wallace Reid, popular star who has appeared with Farrar in several of her great photoplays, takes the role of an adventurous gunman, out to avenge his father's death, and not particular how he does it. The scene is laid in the Rockies, and beside the thrilling story there has been promised some exceptionally marvelous photoplay. "Nan of Music Mountain," will be shown at the Richmond Theatre tonight.

"The Clock," featuring Franklyn Farnum, will be the attraction at the Surprise tonight.

To Send New Envoy Here.

The report from London that Sir Cecil Spring Rice, British Ambassador to the United States, will retire from his post here, was confirmed today in official circles. The ambassador saw Secretary Lansing this morning, and it was understood he informed the Secretary of the change.

7 Killed, 24 Hurt in Explosion.

London, Jan. 2.—Seven persons were kille dand twenty-four injured by the explosion of a mine that was washed ashore yesterday between Ramsgate and Deal. The explosion occurred while an attempt was being made to haul it out on land.

Raid Irish Farmhouses.

Dublin, Jan. 2.—A party of men wearing disguises raided houses at Galway, confiscating arms and ammunition, according to reports received here today.

Turkeys $15 in London.

London, Jan. 2.—At Guildford Market today turkeys sold for $15 a piece and rabbits for $2.12.

Martha Ransdell Uhler has sold to Robert E. Knight, lots three and four, block, five, in George Washington Park.

Miss Fannie Dixon has sold to Mr. and Mrs. James H. Mansfield a house and lot on the west side of Pitt street, near King.

Friends of the Rev. Dr. Eugene B. Jackson will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from the attack of illness which has confined him to his home on North Columbus street since Sunday.

There was an alarm of fire about six o'clock yesterday evening, caused by a burning chimney in Rosemont. A fire in a locker at the roundhouse of the Southern Railway in this city last night caused a still alarm. The flames were soon extinguished by the apparatus at the depot.

Have you a house to rent? If so, turn to the second and third pages and you can find an opportunity to let it very quickly if it meets the requirements. In this connection it might be said that the city of Alexandria has a problem on its hands which will have to be given very serious attention in order to properly house the new people who will soon be arriving in town.

Master Talbert Haslett, who has been in attendance at the Vincent Astor choir school for boys at Rhinebeck, N. Y., is spending his holiday vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Haslett, 510 South Lee street. Although but ten years of age Master Haslett is said to be developing a most excellent voice and taking a great interest in the study of music, highly appreciating the opportunity given him at the Astor school.

A report was circulating about the city this morning to the effect that the American Shipbuilding Corporation and the Groton Iron Works Company had begun shipping iron work here for the new shipbuilding plant. Upon inquiry it was found that there was no truth in the statement and that nothing further has been done other than the preliminary survey made on the ground early last week by two or three men. It is presumed that the cold weather has prevented the beginning of the work so far this week, as it would have been almost impossible to have made any headway in outdoor work under the arctic temperature which has prevailed here for the past three or four days.

Somebody's Boy.

"He is only a sailor," I heard them say,
As they passed him by on the street one day;
Little they knew that his heart was true,
As it beat beneath his suit of blue.
He's somebody's boy who has heard the call
And is doing his bit to serve us all.

He's not afraid of the wildest storm;
He's not ashamed of his uniform.
Don't scorn his clothes nor give him a look
That you might bestow on a slinking crook;
He's Uncle Sam's boy on land and sea,
And a braver lad there never could be.

So treat him with kindness, and give him a smile;
To speak of a sailor is always worth while
Here's a line to all sailors where'er they may be,
At home, on the shore, or away out to sea.
I will never forget you, I'll always be true
To the lad who is serving the Red, White and Blue.

—Selected.

The regular monthly meeting of the Columbia Steam Fire Engine Company will be held tonight, at which officers will be elected.

Mr. Howard Thomas and Miss Lillian Groves were married Sunday at the parsonage of Grace church by Rev. Edgar Carpenter.

Judge C. E. Nicol has been named as food administrator for the city of Alexandria. Frank Lyon has been appointed for Alexandria county and J. P. Milburn for Fairfax county.

St. Mary's Catholic Christmas entertainment was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Lyceum Hall, where many little youngsters were made happy.

Among those who will assist in answering the questionnaires tomorrow (Thursday) will be Judge C. E. Nicol, Leo P. Harlow, Fred G. Russell, G. Washington Lewis, Kenneth W. Ogden and Walter U. Varney.

Corporation Clerk Nevell S. Greenaway, issued 103 marriage licenses during the month of December, 1917. Of the number 82 were granted to white and 21 to colored people who sailed on the sea of matrimony. It is to be hoped that the voyage of each couple may be pleasant and that the divorce may never overtake them.

The two men taken into custody by special officer Rand of the Southern railroad and turned over to the custody of the local authorities here on Wednesday of last week, charged with breaking into the railroad station at Greensboro, North Carolina, were taken back to that place by Sergeant Scott of the Alexandria police department and a special officer of the Southern. Among the things alleged to have been stolen by the two men was a quantity of railroad tickets. After delivering the prisoners to the Greensboro officials Sergeant Scott paid a brief visit to his brother, Lieut. John P. Scott, stationed at Camp Sevier, South Carolina. He says he found the weather in South Carolina practically as cold as it is here in Virginia, with snow covering the ground to a depth of nearly two inches. While at Camp Sevier he had the opportunity of looking all over the place, in which are many thousand of soldiers who are shivering in the arctic weather which has given the Sunny South a decided case of chills. Sergeant Scott says the cold is so severe there that it is impossible for the men to carry on their regular schedule of training except in the way of "hikes" through the adjoining country.

Senator Hughes Worse.

Senator Hughes of New Jersey, is in a dangerous condition according to reports from Trenton, where he is in a hospital.

Poisoning from his teeth was the cause of his original illness. Now pneumonia has set in and he is very weak.

More Sugar for Confectioners.

The American sweet tooth will have more candy hereafter, for the food administration has modified its rules so that soon confectioners can have 80 per cent of their normal sugar requirements, instead of 50, as recently.

Confers on Mexican Situation.

K Ohta, former Japanese charge at Mexico City, has arrived in Washington to confer with Japanese embassy officials about the situation in Mexico before returning to Tokio.

EXPECT NEW VICTORIES.

Kaiser Declares German Arms Will Win War in Present Year.

Amsterdam, Jan. 2.—Berlin reports that Emperor William has addressed a New Year order to the army and navy in which he says: "Hand in hand, with God's help, we shall gain victory in the coming year."

Opening of Children's Class.

Miss Virginia Ale wishes to announce that beginning on Thursday, Jan. 3d., and each Thursday following, at 3:30 to 5:30 p. m., she will open a class for children for the teaching of character songs and all kinds of dancing, including aesthetic, too, fancy classic, ballet, national and all kinds of modern ballroom dancing. A specialty will be made of poise, facial expression, graceful and correct hand movements, developing personality and producing unconscious grace. For terms and particulars call Miss Virginia Ale, 1916 Duke street, phone 644. 810-3t.

FIND TWO FROZEN TO DEATH.

Very Old Woman and Middle Aged Man Shiver and Die.

Shenandoah, Pa., Jan. 2.—Mrs. Margaret Kane, an aged woman, who lived alone, was found dead in her home Monday morning, frozen to death, with all the fires in her home out.

John Willits, 43 years old, a well-known resident of Girardville, was found frozen to death near the Shenandoah Creek, at Rappahannock.

SOCIALISTS ARRESTED

German Munition Worker Resorting to a Program of Destruction to Force End of War.

Amsterdam, Jan. 2.—German munitions workmen are resorting to a program of destruction to force the Kaiser to make peace, according to information reaching here today.

Following the disastrous explosions at several of the important munition factories scores of Independent Socialists employed in them have been arrested.

One of the significant features of the explosions has been the heavy damage caused without loss of life. Only a few workmen were injured, while great damage was done to the plants. Supplies for the armies have been seriously affected.

Other dispatches from the interior of Germany said that the recent air raids of the allies are causing deep concern throughout the empire. The German people, the dispatches said, are beginning to realize the danger to which they are exposed as the result of the allies' decision to adopt reprisals for air raids over London.

MILLION GREEKS MASSACRED.

Drowned by Boatloads in Black Sea by Turco-Teutons.

At least 1,000,000 Greeks, men, women and children, have perished as the result of organized massacres and deportations by the Turco-Teutons in Asiatic Turkey, according to a statement by Lazaros George Macrides, son of a leading merchant of Trebizond, made public through the Armenian and Syrian Relief Committee in New York.

Macrides, who recently arrived, says he was one of a party of 2,000 Greeks which was rescued by the Russian fleet that bombarded the town of Ordou last August and took the refugees aboard. He had been taken to Ordou, he said, when the Turks raided Trebizond and seized his father's store along with those of other Greek merchants.

"Those of us between the ages of 16 and 60 were drafted into the Turkish army," said Macridis. "Our women and children and the older men were placed temporarily in homes and orphanages until the opportunity offered to dispose of them in the approved Turco-Teuton fashion which in this instance turned out to be wholesale drowning.

"The unfortunate survivors of deportation were towed out for several miles into the Black Sea and then calmly dumped overboard, just like so much garbage. None of them survived. German efficiency has simply organized the natural brutality of the Turk and made it many times more effective than ever before. I should think that, at the most conservative estimate, at least 1,000,900 of my fellow-countrymen have perished miserably through the organized cruelty of this Turco-Teutonic alliance. The only hope of the future lies in America."

KILLS LUCKY MAN AT LAST.

Fellow of Many Misfortunes Dies After Falling and Freezing.

Mauch Chunk, Pa., Jan. 2.—John Lesisko was found frozen nearly to death under the high swinging bridge spanning the deep ravine between East Mauch Chunk and Pleasant Hill, having fallen from the structure. He died while being taken to the Coaldale Hospital.

Several years ago he was struck by the Lehigh Valley Black Diamond Express at full speed and precipitated into the Lehigh Canal, practically uninjured. On another occasion he was dragged under an engine. He also fell off a target pole, his head striking on a rail. He was also struck by a trolley car some time ago, besides falling from the county bridge between here and East Mauch Chunk landing on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

A few years ago Lesisko fell a depth of 60 feet among a mass of stone from the same bridge where he finally met his death, and he was then but slightly injured. He is survived by his widow and six children.

Death Notice.

Died, Jan. 2, 1918, at 418 north Payne street, Alexandria, Va., Mrs. Ellen Taylor, devoted mother of Effie Tancil Rozier and John Taylor. Notice of funeral hereafter. 2-1t.

MODIFIED PEACE OFFER

Central Powers Will Submit Plans Within Ten Days—Russia Fighting Again.

Berne, Jan. 2.—Within ten days the central powers will make a new declaration of modified peace conditions, "owing to the entente's attitude," according to a quotation from the Munich Nachrichten received here today.

London, Jan. 2.—The Russian Bolsheviki are making preparations for defense against Germany and have broken off the peace negotiations because of the Germans' reprisal to withdraw their troops from Poland and other occupied sections of Russia, according to a dispatch printed in the Daily News today from its Petrograd correspondent, Arthur Ransome. The Russians are sending troops to the front again.

I have reliable information regarding the breaking off of peace negotiations, which establishes the honesty of the Bolsheviki purpose," Ransome's dispatches asserted. The Central powers made a more detailed statement of their terms than that which has been published, including therein a demand that German garrisons be retained at Riga, Libau, and other strategic points.

TO LEND CHINA $50,000,000.

Japan Plans to Improve Status of the Bank of China.

It is said that Japan is negotiating an advance to China of $50,000,000 for the purpose of improving the status of the Bank of China. The negotiations are being carried on with the knowledge of the American, British, French and Russian banking groups in the syndicate which, with Japanese and German representatives, was formed before the war to finance China.

The terms will be similar to the previous Japanese advance under the conditions of the reorganization loan, but the other banking groups will take no part in it on account of the refusal of their governments to permit the sending of bullion to China.

Japan will loan the money with the object of exercising control over the currency reform. The Japanese notified the other banking groups that unless they were willing to participate in the loan it would be negotiated by the Japanese interests.

HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY.

Negro Caught Last Night With Five Pints of Whisky in His Pockets.

Special Officer Stephenson last night took charge of a strange negro on the tracks of the Washington Southern Railway near the overhead bridge over Braddock Road. His purpose was to charge him with trespass. After having been turned over to the police of this city it was found that the darkey had five pints in his pockets.

He was brought before the Police Court this morning on the charge of violating the prohibition law. He did not seem to realize that he was guilty of any offense against the law by having an unlawful quantity of liquor in his possession, but pretended that as he understood it the law applied to the storage of certain quantities of ardent spirits. He was held for the action of the grand jury. This was the only case on the docket.

PASSING OF LUNA PARK

Former Resort of Alexandrians and Washingtonians is Being Dismantled.

Luna Park, on the Washington-Virginia Railway, between this city and Washington, is being dismantled. The various attractions of the one-time resort are being shiped, it is stated, to other resorts, where they will be erected.

About twelve years ago Luna Park was established on the hills overlooking Four-Mile run, Alexandria county, and the Potomac River. For several years, in the summer season, it was visited by many persons from this city, Washington and the surrounding county.

It has for several years past been lying idle.

Norfolk Oysters, Hampton Bars and Potomac River oysters. J. Brill No. 2 King street.

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PEACE WHISPERINGS.

The parties who precipitated the present fearful war are again talking of peace, while the people of the warring nations are earnestly praying that the present indications may not prove illusions, but that the time is near when those who brought on the conflict will be found clothed and in their right minds. Although peace talk has been prominent in the papers during the past week, we have refrained from commenting upon what we have read, but printed the substance of the same and allowed our readers to draw their own conclusions.

Is the year 1918 to see a cessation of the world war, or its prolongation into the fifth year, as so many experienced observers profess to believe. As the Richmond Journal says, the question is on everybody's lips, and the answer is, necessarily, guesswork. That the warring nations are ready to consider peace terms, even when exclaiming loudest against them, is apparent. The latest rumor bearing on the subject is to the effect that Premier Lloyd George will go to France before the new year is far advanced to confer with Premier Clemenceau presumably, on this all-absorbing topic. The officials in Washington decline to discuss the subject.

It has been stated that the chief obstacle to general peace is Alsace-Lorraine. If the Germans would give way on that issue an armistice might quickly be arranged, since Belgium's restoration and rehabilitation are practically conceded. That feature, of course, is fundamental in any peace negotiations. Germany must realize that unless she is willing to yield the French provinces she stole at the point of the sword in 1870-71, she can never do business with France.

It has been intimated that the German government is willing to "arbitrate" the Alsace-Lorraine question. A wise compromise would be to leave the decision as to the ruling government to the people of the affected provinces. There is little doubt as to the result.

With Belgium and Alsace-Lorraine out of the way, the captured colonies' question, Balkans' settlement, problem of Poland, of Palestine and of Armenia could be solved without great friction by the arbitration court. Of course, there will have to be a curtailment of militaristic power.

One of the significant speeches made at the meeting of the German and Austrian prisoners of war in Petrograd Saturday, for the purpose of organizing an internationalist propaganda among prisoners in Russia, was by the Hungarian officer, Rudniansky, who was elected president, who said: "Thanks to the Russian revolution, I can speak my innermost thoughts freely. Our first thought now is general peace and freedom for all nations. Let Russian freedom teach us to obtain a like freedom at home."

A Czech, in denouncing Count Czernin's program, exclaimed against a separate peace, saying: there was a gendarme of Europe, the Russian czar, but he was overpowered. There remains another gendarme, the dynasty of the Hapsburgs and the Hohenzollerns, which, too, must be overthrown."

ANOTHER YEAR OF WAR?

One question which has been uppermost in the minds of the people since the war began is, when will it end? Many predictions have been made during the past three years and a fairly good start has been made along the same line so far this year. The latest are as follows:

William C. Redfield, Secretary of the Department of Commerce: "It is my present impression that the war is likely to be prolonged beyond 1918." Prior to the Russian debacle, it seemed to me probable the war would last through the fall of 1918. If, however, Germany shall secure wheat, oil, cotton and other supplies from Russia, as well as the release of prisoners, her economic strength and morale will both be in some measure strengthened and the war may go on a year longer. One must remember, however, that doubtful things are very uncertain. Lee's veterans were hopeful and enthusiastic in the fall of 1864, but economic collapse brought the war to a close barely six months later."

James S. Alexander, president National Bank of Commerce, New York: "The duration of the war cannot be foreseen. The only conservative course possible, therefore, is adjustment for at least another year of war. Such adjustment, if properly made, will not be dangerous in case the war should terminate in less than that time. It is essential to safety if the war continues."

Ex-Senator Theodore E. Burton, president Merchants' National Bank, New York: "I should not wish to make a guess as to the duration of the war, but am sure business would be in a more favorable condition in case of an early peace."

James N. Wallace, president Central Trust Company, New York: "The duration of the war cannot, in my opinion, be predicted on either political or economic grounds. This is a conflict of character, and national character will decide when it ends. Determination to win the war is of more importance than conjecture as to its length."

George M. Reynolds, president Continental and Commercial Bank, Chicago: "It does not seem to me that we should expect peace before the all of 1918 at the earliest."

Alba B. Johnson, president Baldwin Locomotive Works: "On economic and political grounds, I look for prolonged war, chiefly because of the breaking down of Russia and the consequent encouragement of the German nation, together with the fact that large quantities of food, money and material assistance will become available to the Germans."

D. R. Forgan, president National City Bank, Chicago: "I expect the Germans to hold out for about another year, but no longer. I think by that time it will be evident to their leaders that they cannot win and they will seek to make terms."

William A. Law, president of the First National Bank, of Philadelphia: "The winter of 1918-19 will probably witness the conclusion of peace."

DOESN'T KNOW WHAT PEACE IS.

The kaiser does not know the language of peace says the Richmond Virginian. That much seems certain after the most recent of a series of proposals by the Berlin government, professedly on behalf of peace.

The probable fact is that, having been trained to regard might as right and having trained his people through his long reign to believe in the righteousness of conquest, he has no proper conception of what peace is.

It would be "peace" for the ruler of Germany if all the people of the world outside the central allies would disarm and submit to the German will. Then the kaiser's legions could rage up and down the earth, looting and killing in an unbridled orgy of crime.

What the other people might suffer, how they might feel about the whole proceeding, could not possibly matter. They are not Germans, therefore they are beneath notice.

This megalomaniac state of mind naturally expresses itself, perhaps unconsciously, in what the kaiser has to say about peace. He expects the Russians, English and other barbarians whom he is fighting to submit to his will with the alacrity of the German soldier. Every time he starts to talk about peace he says something which in times of peace, would make a pretty fair cause for war.

BERLIN'S PEACE OFFENSIVE.

Events of the last two weeks have made it clear that the allies will have to deal with a new form of German offensive between now and the time for opening the spring campaign. A contemporary suggests that it is the German peace offensive.

Great responsibility rests upon those who must meet this German effort to save autocracy from defeat upon the battlefield. Already peace feelers have been sent out and others no doubt will follow as the result of these first efforts become clear to the German mind. The kaiser is perfectly willing to make peace on any terms which he may set forth. Heretofore those terms have lacked clearness. They have left much to negotiations following the war and much more to the imagination.

The fact is that if Germany were invincible, no German agent anywhere would now be talking about peace. The central powers are not yet at the end of their resources, but that end is in plain sight and drawing nearer inevitably day by day.

The German peace offensive will fail as its military and naval offensives have failed. But the task of frustrating the thoroughly planned diplomatic moves which we shall see made in the next few weeks will call for the highest quality of statesmanship of which the allied world is capable.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Under the above heading the Gazette will be pleased to give reasonable space to any person who desires to make comment upon matters of general interest to the public. Writers will of course be responsible for their utterances. As a guarantee of good faith, the name and address of the writer of any article submitted for publication will be required in each instance.—Editor Gazette.

Editor Gazette:

THE LATE MR. WILDE.

Your notice of the death of Geo. C. Wilde and reference to his residing in Alexandria, recalls to my mind an incident that occurred while he was editing the "Virginia State Journal." A young man whose conduct was not such as would "pass muster" at all times, I presume, attracted the attraction of Mr. Wilde, whereupon in an editorial he published some rather caustic, if not personal remarks. The head lines were a quotation from Shakespeare, "Man in his life time plays many parts," etc. The article was so pointed, that those who did not know to whom it referred, could find out by inquiry. The young man referred to, read between the lines, concluded he was the party alluded to and called at the office of the "State Journal." He found Mr. Wilde engaged in writing, who very politely requested him to be seated, excusing himself for a few moments. In a few moments Mr. Wilde opened his desk produced a revolver, laid it on the desk and requested the interviewer to proceed as he was "ready." It is hardly worth while to state, that Mr. Wilde was left in a very few seconds. Perhaps, had the young man who called for an explanation from Mr. Wilde heeded the suggestions contained in the article, he would not have died an untimely death, as was the case.

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NEWS OF THE DAY

A mother and her two children, as yet unidentified, were trapped in their rooms and burned to death and three others were seriously injured in an apartment house blaze in Toledo, Ohio, early yesterday morning.

Seven persons were killed and 24 injured by the explosion of a mine that was washed ashore yesterday between Ramsgate and Deal. The explosion occurred while an attempt was being made to haul it out on land.

The wrecking of a passenger train near Sambor, in Galicia, 40 miles southwest of Lemburg, occasioning the death or injury of many persons, is reported in a Vienna dispatch. The train caught fire while traveling at full speed. Owing to the fire the emergency brakes could not be operated.

A snowstorm, said to be the worst experienced in half a century, enveloped the middle west yesterday and is continuing without abatement. The storm extends west to the Mississippi River, and to the Ohio valley on the south. In some sections the snow has reached a depth of over two feet.

Mrs. Felix Schmidt, 28, and William and Agnes Meinen, 8 and 10, respectively, were burned to death early yesterday at Toledo, Ohio, when a Christmas tree caught fire. The fire followed a watch party. Parents of the burned children, badly burned, were carried from the roof of the burning building by firemen.

An entire block of buildings in the business section of Catskill, N. Y., was destroyed by fire yesterday morning at a loss of over $150,000. The fire broke out in the Nelida Theater, and, fanned by the wind, quickly spread until the postoffice, Republican and Democratic headquarters, the Savings and Loan Association, several stores and living apartments were a mass of flames. Over a ton of mail was lost when the postoffice burned. Dynamite used to raze the framework of the building shattered window panes and showcases along Main street. The Union Mills on Water street, which are engaged in making sweaters for the government, also took fire from the sparks, but the blaze was confined to the roof, and work on the two lower floors of the building was continued in spite of the fact that the fire was still burning. Firemen working in 12 degrees below zero temperature suffered frozen hands, feet and faces.

After being picked up at Thirty-sixth street and Prospect avenue northwest, Washington, where he had fallen with cerebral hemorrhage and effects from the cold Saturday morning while patrolling his beat, Policeman Joseph F. Beauregard, 44 years old, died yesterday afternoon at the Georgetown University Hospital. The cold is thought to have brought on the fatal attack. He became unconscious shortly after arriving at the hospital and did not recover.

Property valued at $50,000 is left at the death of a sister, to be managed by the Southern Methodist Church to assist boys to acquire an education at Pulaski Boys' School, under the terms of the will of Robert L. Johnson, probated in Pulaski, Tenn.

One man was killed and nine others were badly burned in an explosion at the Underwood mine of the Pennsylvania Coal Company, near Scranton, Pa., Sunday. The explosion was caused by a miner walking into a pocket of gas with a naked light.

G. R. Bishop, 54, chief of the San Antonio, Texas, fire department, and Robert Kopplin, acting lieutenant of the department, were instantly killed; Bishop's chauffeur was perhaps fatally injured, and nine others, including three private soldiers, seriously hurt Monday night when the automobile in which the fire chief was going to a fire collided with an automobile fire truck. The force of the collision hurled the cars across a sidewalk, through a crowd of New Year's eve merrymakers, and through the windows of a department store. Several of the injured were cut by flying glass.

Robert Johnston, driver of a coal truck belonging to Hencken and Vellenbrock, stopped his automobile in front of a house at No. 330 East 107th street, New York, to deliver a ton of fuel. One hundred and fifty men and women rushed upon the truck and carried the coal away in sacks and coal buckets and even in their arms. Johnston called policemen, but before they arrived the coal had been swept up and carried away, scarcely a bucketful remaining.

What the beginning of the New Year finds at the battle fronts is outlined by Secretary Baker in his weekly review of military operations issued last night by the War Department. In the west, he says, the British dominate the Flanders plain with a great wedge into the principal German line of defense at Cambrai, while the French, with their own lines unbroken, hold the key to the Laon area through the capture of Chemin des Dames.

The Railway Mail Association, with a membership of 13,000 railway mail clerks, has been granted a charter by the American Federation of Labor, Edward J. Ryan, of Boston, the association president, announces. Mr. Ryan said this action was taken despite Postmaster-General Burleson's "known opposition." Postmaster-General Burleson's administration was criticized by Mr. Ryan, who said the association was preparing to place before President Wilson data designed to show inefficent management of the railway mail service.

BOMBS WRECK ART.

Italian City Victim of Three Successive Raids by Aitmen.

Padua, Jan. 2.—The third successive night air raid here scattered havoc.

The front of the Sixteenth Century Cathedral was demolished. The Basilica of St. Anthony, where the body of St. Anthony of Padua is buried, lost its bronz doors and the sepulcher of St. Anthony was narrowly missed by a bomb.

Donatello's famous equestrian statue of General Gattamelata, before the Santo, had been removed, but the base, also the work of Donatello, was damaged severely.

The paintings and frescoes in the Santo by Titian and other masters were torn and scratched. The rose windows and the Renaissance stained glass were shivered. The building opposite the Santo was destroyed.

A pilgrimage to the sepulcher of St. Anthony was in progress, when the bombs struck the Santo. The cathedral was struck above the gable facade, the entire gable and the upper part of the facade falling in the street.

The raiders came at three different times. Twenty incendiary bombs were dropped.

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At the direction of the Fuel Administrator for Virginia, an order has been issued to the retail dealers of coal in this city and county, not to deliver coal to household consumers, in quantities in excess of two tons and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is two tons or less. This will make the maximum quantity of four tons at any one time. To larger consumers, deliveries are not to be made in quantities greater than the actual needs of the consumers for fifteen days, and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is less than their requirements for fifteen days. This will make the maximum quantity held by larger consumers at any one time, only sufficient for their actual needs for thirty days or less. Industries buying coal in carload lots must obtain special permit from the Fuel Administrator.

To make this order effective, and to relieve the dealer of the responsibility and difficulty of ascertaining the supply any consumer has on hand, it is arranged that an affidavit be furnished by the purchasers of coal in excess of one-half ton (this affidavit can be made by any member of the family over sixteen years of age.) These forms for making the affidavits will be in the hands of the dealers, and notaries and the affidavits will be taken without charge, by any one of the following notaries public, who have offered their services to aid the Commission in this work:

Miss Gladys M. Brooks, room 1, Alexandria National bank building; W. C. Drury, 107 south Royal street; J. T. Burke, Burke and Herbert; Miss Cora Duffey, Office, Clerk of Court; Courtland H. Davis, 121 south Royal street; Claude H. Crump, 1801 King street; M. L. Dinwiddie, Citizens National Bank; J. J. Green, First National Bank; E. J. Fleming, 119 south Fairfax street; A. C. Moss, Alexandria National Bank.

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NEWS OF THE OLD DOMINION

INFANT ABANDONED.

Little Innocent Found on Steps of Orphanage in Richmond.

Josephine McKenzie, fomerly of South Carolina, twenty-one years old and rather pretty, was before Juvenile Judge Ricks today on the charge of abandoning her three-months-old baby girl the night of December 22 on the steps of St. Joseph's Orphanage in Richmond. Judge Ricks, after hearing most of the evidence, let the case go over until January 9. He wishes to ascertain whether or not the girl registered at the rooming house on East Main street, where she said she spent the rest of the night, and whether or not Floyd Kemp, twenty-two years old, spent the night in the same place.

According to the police, Kemp paid the girl's way to Baltimore, but he said that he did not stop at the same place there.

When the infant was found, it was well wrapped, with a $1 bill pinned to its cloak. It had a pacifier in its mouth, and was also provided with a bottle of milk.

It was intimated that white slave charges might be preferred against Kemp. He is from North Carolina. The young woman says that Henry Eiring, a young man now in the navy was engaged to her and she was expecting him to marry her before the birth of the child.

SECURED 4,226 RECRUITS.

Army, Navy and Marine Stations Make Record Since War Was Declared.

Virginia stands in the forefront with reference to the number of recruits secured by the three branches of the government service, the army, navy, and marine corps. The record made by these offices in this State speaks well for the officers in charge of them for with population considered the recruiting offices in this cit lead the entire country. Since the United States entered the war, and since the selective draft system has been inaugurated an unusual impetus has been given voluntary enlistment, the result being that all three branches of the government fighting machine have been rapidly filled up. The marine corps has more men than required by law and the same holds true of the navy.

Since April 1, 1917 the three stations in this city have recruited 1,226, the navy leading with 1,917, the army second with 1,764 and the marine corps last with 845.

ARRESTED IN VIRGINIA.

Delaware Boy Accused of Murdering Another Youth.

Georgetown, Del., Jan. 2.—Upon allegation that the supposed accidental shooting and killing of Wilbur Messick, a Bethel schoolboy, by 14-year-old Fred Morris, was deliberate, the lad was arrested in Virginia Saturday and brought to Georgetown where he was held under bail on a charge of murder in the second degree.

The chief witness against the lad was his companion, Harry Moore, who declared that previous testimony before a coroner's jury was false and that he had sworn that the shooting was an accident because he and Morris had made it up to say so. He now declares that Morris stepped out from behind a coal bin just as the victim was walking in the schoolhouse door and shouting, "I'm going to shoot you," pulled the trigger and shot the little boy in the heart.

VIRGINIAN DEAD IN FRANCE.

G. E. McCoy, of Portsmouth, and Red Cross Nurse Among General Pershing's Losses.

Sixteen deaths, one that of a nurse, among members of the American expeditionary force were reported yesterday by General Pershing. The nurse was May Berry, of Frankton, Ind. Among the soldiers reported dead was Private Garland E. McCoy, of Portsmouth, Va., a member of the aero squadron. He was a victim of pneumonia.

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150 Less Deaths Occur Here in 1917 Than Occurred in 1916.

Directly attributable to the untiring efforts of the Health Department, Richmond's death rate set a new low record during the year ending at midnight, surpassing by a considerable figure the previous low record, which was established in 1915. Not only was the death rate decreased per 1,000 inhabitants, but there were actually 150 less deaths in the city during 1917 than in 1916, according to figures announced last night by Dr. Roy K. Flannagan, Chief Health Officer.

Many obstacles were overcome by the Health Department last year, and the difficulties confronting it were exceedingly varied and numerous. There were a greater number of cases among various infectious diseases during the twelve months, yet in all instances the death rate was lowered. Much of the credit for this excellent record is due, according to Dr. Flannagan, to the tremendous effort made by the department's visiting nurses, and to the co-operation of physicians.

As indicated by the statistics in the possession of the Bureau of Vital Statistics there was a decrease in this State of 157 deaths and an increase of 1,694 births. Dr. W. A. Plecker, Registrar of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Board of Health of Virginia, expressed the opinion that the decrease in deaths was due to the activities of the State health officers and to prohibition. He stated that the same, if not increased, efforts were made to keep a correct registration of all deaths in the State.

FOOD QUESTIONNAIRES.

All Wholesale and Retail Men Must Furnish Government Complete Inventory.

Richmond, Jan. 2.—Questionnaires of the national food administration are being received in wholesale and retail circles handling foodstuffs. These must be filled out and returned to the administration, giving the results of a complete inventory tomorrow of all stock in food stores and warehouses. Blanks also have been sent a number of representative homes. This survey is designed to afford the administration sufficiently accurate figures on which to base its work. The answers regard eighty-six items, divided into ten groups. Failure to comply with the regulations of the administration concerning these questionnaires may mean a fine to the offender of not more than $1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding one year.

PETERSBURG'S PROSPERITY.

Merchants Unanimous in Saying Volume of Business in 1917 Breaks all Records—News Notes of Interest.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 2.—Secretary Parsons, of the Retail Merchants' Association, is authority for the statement that Petersburg this year enjoyed a greater prosperity than ever before. The merchants of the city are unanimous in the declaration that the volume of business transacted by them was greater than in any previous year, and is evidenced by the reports from the banks, of the increase of their resources and deposits to marks not even dreamed of.

CHAMBERLAIN TRIAL.

Special Term of Goochland County Circuit Court Convened This Morning.

Goochland, Va., Jan. 2.—Dr. Asa W. Chamberlain, in the custody of Sheriff Massie and several deputies arrived here at 11:30 o'clock this morning to face trial on a charge of having murdered and mutilated the body of his brother, Judge Albert P. Chamberlain on October 22, at the home of the latter, nine miles from this place. Since his arrest, following the finding of the dismembered parts of the body on his farm, Dr. Chamberlain has been in the Henrico county jail at Richmond.

The aged defendant's twenty-year-old wife came to Goochland yesterday, and will remain here during the trial. For the last five weeks she has resided in Richmond, and each day was a visitor to her husband's cell.

With Judge E. B. Rutherford presiding, the special term of the Goochland county circuit court convened at 11:30 o'clock upon the arrival of Dr. Chamberlain from Richmond. The remainder of the day will be consumed in organization and instructions by the court.

Forty talesmen have been drawn from the lower part of Goochland county, as far distant as was possible from the scene of the crime.

CHALONER SALE HELD UP.

University of Virginia Claims Property to be Sold by Court.

Charlottesville, Va., Jan. 2.—Intervention by the University of Virginia to whom John Armstrong Chaloner, in 1897 deeded his personal property and his home "Merry Mills" has resulted in the postponement of the auction sale of the property which was to have taken place here last week. The sale had been ordered to satisfy judgments under Virginia's poor debtors law" of Hugh Gordon Miller and William Dike Reed, attorneys who once represented Chaloner. The University gave bond pending a hearing in District Court to determine ownership of the property.

Chaloner is rated a millionaire, but nearly all his property is in New York State where the Courts have held him insane, and placed the property in the hands of a guardian.

WATER BACK EXPLODES.

Richmond Minister Has Narrow Escape Monday Morning.

Rev. George W. Kemper, barely escaped serious injury yesterday morning when the water back in the kitchen stove at his residence, 904 Barton avenue, Barton Heights, Richmond, exploded.

Mr. Kemper had built a fire in the stove without observing that the pipes supplying water to the heating apparatus were frozen. On returning a few minutes later, just as he entered the door, the water back exploded, completely demolishing the stove, blowing out a window and throwing Mr. Kemper back several feet. Mr. Kemper was slightly burned but was able to go about his usual duties yesterday.

One man was killed and three others were probably fatally injured when the corning mill of the Monongahela Powder Company's plant at Rita, near Fairmont, W. Va., blew up yesterday afternoon. Fred Miller, of Fairmont, is dead. The cause of the explosion is not known.

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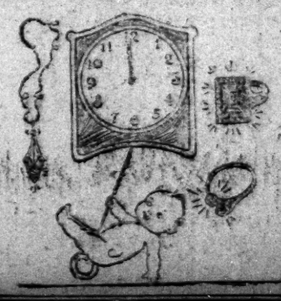

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PEACE KICKED OUT.

American Troops Put Over Show That Would Make Ziegfeld Rich.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 1.—If Ziegfeld could only bring back to America the show that was the star attraction of all the shows of New Year's eve in the American zone, he would make the biggest hit of his theatrical career—and there would not be any girly stuff either. The "Follies of 1917" were given at a certain Y. M. C. A. but by members of the American expeditionary force, Monday night. Deep-voiced, weather-tanned "follies" scampered and sang behind flickering kerosene footlights, speeding the dying year. A husky Detroiter, clothed in a sheet and carrying an olive branch, walked out on the stage at one point in the performance.

On his back was printed "Peace." "Mr. Peace" or "Miss Peace," if you prefer it, sneaked to the middle of the stage before the entire "company" ensemble scurried out and booted him from view with sturdy execution and amid roof-raising cheers, hand-clapping and stamping of feet on the hollow board floor. One of the other hits of the evening came when a diminitive Sammy, fully uniformed, led "Kaiser Bill" on the stage. The Kaiser's hands were manacled and he was tied firmly. The bantam Sammy sang very feelingly "We'll Knock the Spots Out of the Kaiser and Kick Him Across the Rhine." Incidentally not a bit of drinking was observed among the American soldiers.

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They were up to $29.50, included are Serge, Crepe de Chine, and Satin in Black and colors, plain and trimmed models, some of Silk and Crepe combined, and some effectively embroidered.

LITTLE GIRL'S COATS
$3.98 to $9.50.

They were $5.98 to $14.50. Becoming models of velveteen broadcloth, corduroy, and zibeline in light and dark colors, some are fur-trimmed. Sizes 2 to 6, and 8 to 14. Former prices $5.98 to $14.50.

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RUNAWAYS NEARLY FROZEN

Three Boys Wander all Night, But Live to Reach Wilmington.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 2.—Three lad and suffering so much from the intense cold that they were afraid to stop lest they freeze to death three boys wandered all night along the roads between here and Kennett quare, and were finally arrested as runaways when they reached the city. They gave their names as Joseph Farr, 17 years old; Chester a.; Daniel Cooper, 16, Chester, and John Griswold, 16, of New York, who has been living in Chester for several months.

When the boys arrived at the police station they required medical treatment before they were fully revived. Each of them wore overalls, shirt and undershirt, but no coat or overcoat. They said they ran away from their homes last Thursday and went to Kennett Square, where they got work. They quit yesterday and each received 35 cents. They started to walk to this city, and lost their way, took refuge in a barn, but the place was so cold they were afraid to go to sleep, so they decided to keep moving.

Notice.

The Washington and Old Dominion Railway has made application to the State Corporation Commission for authority to make increases of 15 per cent, over all of its present freight rates applicable between stations in Virginia on the Washington and Old Dominion Railway, the minimum increase to be one (1) cent when the rate is "per 100 pounds" and five (5) cents when the rate is "per ton." Hearing in this matter will be held before the State Corporation Commission at Richmond, Va., on the 23 day of January, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time any protests, facts or arguments may be presented to the Commission for its consideration.

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TERRIBLY SWOLLEN

Suffering Described As Torture Relieved by Black-Draught.

Rossville, Ga.—Mrs. Kate Lee Able, of this place, writes: "My husband is an engineer, and once while lifting, he injured himself with a piece of heavy machinery, across the abdomen. He was so sore he could not bear to press on himself at all, on chest or abdomen. He weighed 165 lbs., and fell off until he weighed 110 lbs., in two weeks.

He became constipated and it looked like he would die. We had three different doctors, yet with all their medicine, his bowels failed to act. He would turn up a ten-cent bottle of castor oil, and drink it two or three days in succession. He did this yet without result. We became desperate, he suffered so. He was swollen terribly. He told me his suffering could only be described as torture.

I sent and bought Thedford's Black-Draught. I made him take a big dose, and when it began to act he fainted, he was in such misery, but he got relief and began to mend at once. He got well, and we both feel he owes his life to Thedford's Black-Draught."

Thedford's Black-Draught will help you to keep fit, ready for the day's work. Try it! NC-161

DODGERS PULL TEETH.

Practice Discovered at Camp Dix to be Severely Punished.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 2.—Local exemption boards have been advised from headquarters at Camp Dix to which cantonment the draft men of this city and State are sent, that 40 per cent of the rejectives there are due to insufficent and defective teeth and that they are in receipt of positive information that to avoid military service men called in the draft are having their teeth extracted so they will not have the number required by the army and will therefore be discharged.

These extractions are made, it is stated, after the men have been examined by the local physicians and before they are examined at camp. Men who resort to this painful practice to escape army service, if detected will be tried and if convicted, severely punished for attempting to evade the Selective Service law.

NO FOOD IN GERMANY.

Nation is Worse off Than Believed, Official Data Indicates.

Germany is in a worse position regarding food than this government had believed. Official data recently collected by American government experts from reliable sources in touch with the Teuton problem shows this conclusively, through the government is withholding specific facts. The pinch of hunger may account, in large measure, for the persistence of the German peace movement at this time, for, despite discouragement thereof from all allied quarters, the effort to make peace talk sink into allied consciences continues.

There are signs that Germany will stick to its maneuvers indefinitely. This government had been led to believe that the German food situation had improved as a result of the last harvests, but has learned from careful investigation that this is not the case.

Two men were killed, six severely burned and one slightly injured when a flash tube in a boiler at the Philadelphia navy yard exploded yesterday.

BOASTS OF HUN FEATS.

Germans Face 1918 With Confidence, Kaiser Asserts.

Amsterdam, Jan. 2.—Berlin reports that Emperor William has addressed the following New Year order to the army and navy:

"A year of heavy and important battles has come to a close. The gigantic battles which raged from spring to fall on Belgian and French soil were decided in favor of your glorious arms. In the east the offensive spirit of our armies, by powerful blows, achieved great successes. Our arms there are now at rest. Brilliant victories in a few days destroyed the Italian offensive preparations of years.

"In cooperation with my army, my fleet has again proved its efficiency by daring enterprises. The submarines are unswervingly performing their difficult and effective work. Filled with pride and admiration, we survey the heroic band of our colonial troops.

"The German people in arms has thus everywhere, on land and sea, achieved great deeds. But our enemies still hope, with the assistance of new allies, to defeat you and then to destroy forever the world position won by Germany in hard endeavor. They will not succeed. Trusting in our righteous cause and in our strength, we face the year 1918 with firm confidence and iron will. Therefore, forward with God to fresh deeds and fresh victories."

RECORD OF THE PAST

No Stronger Evidence Can be Had in Alexandria.

Look well to their record. What they have done many times in years gone by is the best guarantee of future results. Anyone with a bad back; any reader suffering from urinary troubles, from kidney ills, should find comforting words in the following statement.

John T. Langley, 514 Queen St., Alexandria, Va., says: "For two years or more I was subject to pain and weakness in my back. I often couldn't stoop or walk and was confined to the house for days. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills in the papers and got a box. Soon after I used them I noticed an improvement and they completely relieved me in a short time."

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Twelve years later Mr. Langley said: "I am always glad to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. I haven't had any occasion to take a Kidney medicine for several years."

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Washington and points north daily 8:08, 8:23, 8:33, 10.38, 10:45 a. m. 12:01, 1:28, 2:30, (through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 5:14 5.53, 8:23, 11:33 p. m.

Saturdays only, 1:45 p. m., and Sundays only 8:08 p. m

For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:52 (local) and 47 a. m. 12:16 8:22 8:32 5:1 (local) 7:02, 9:47 p. m. daily

Accommodation for Quantico at 1:18 a. m. daily and 2:15 p. m. Saturdays. Night train leaves 11:30 p. m. daily for stations Lorton to Fredericksburg inclusive.

Note—Times of arrival and departure and connections not guaranteed.

Marguerite Fischer

Heroine in "Miss Jackie of the Navy" appears in

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RICHMOND, THUR. JANUARY 3

Richmond Tonight, Wallace Reid in "Nan of Music Mountain"

Surprise Tonight, Franklyn Farnum in "The Clock"

SPECIAL NOTICES

Notice.

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Fairfax county, Va., will be held at the Company's office, Royal and Prince Streets, in Alexandria, Va., Monday, January 14, 1918, at ten o'clock a. m.

Walter Roberts, President.
308td.

Citizens National Bank.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent was declared, payable on or after January 2nd, 1918, to stockholders of records, December 31st, 1917.

309-4t Richard M. Green, Cashier.

Notice Annual Meeting.

December 3, 1917.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Alexandria, Va., will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier
295-25t

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Alexandria National Bank. Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8, 1917.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House of said Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M to 1 p. m.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier
295-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Citizens National Bank. Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8th, 1917

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

Richard M. Green, Cashier.
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THE WASHINGTON VIRGINIA RAILWAY CO

In effect June 21, 1915.
Subject to Change Without Notice.

Leave Alexandria For Washington.
Daily Except Sundays and Holidays.

A. M.----5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 6 55, 7 10, 7 20, 7 30, 7 40, 7 50, 8 00, 8 10, 8 20, 8 40, 9 00, 9 20, 9 40, 10 00, 10 20, 10 40, 11 00, 11 20, 11 40, Noon, 12 00

P. M.----12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40, 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 9 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55

Sunday and Holidays, same as above except trains at 5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 10, 7 20, 7 50, and 8 10 A M and 11 55 P M.

Leave Alexandria For Mt. Vernon

A M.---Week Days---5 35, 6 55, 7 35, 8 35, 10 30, 11 30.—P M---12 30, 1 30, 2 30, 3 30, 4 30, 5 35, 6 40, 7 35, 8 40, 10 30, 11 30.

Sunday as above except 6 30 and 9 30 A. M. and 11 30 P. M.

SOUTHERN RAILROAD SYSTEM

N. B.—Following schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed.

Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria:

4:42 a. m., Daily—Memphis Special. Sleeping cars and coaches to Lynchburg, Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, Memphis, Washington sleeping cars open after 10:00 p. m. Dining car.

7.37 a. m., Local to Danville.

7:47 a. m., Daily—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

9:02 a. m., Daily—U. S. fast mail. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Dining car.

9.37 a. m., Daily-Manassas Orange and Charlottesville and limited beyond to Atlanta. Coaches only.

4:02 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

4:22 p. m., Daily—Local to Charlottesville. Parlor car to Warrenton, daily except Sunday.

4:32 p. m., Daily—Birmingham Special Coaches and sleeping cars to Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car. Daily tourist car to California.

5:22 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local for Warrenton.

7:17 p. m., Daily—Augusta Special. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Sleeping cars to Asheville. Dining car.

10:02 p. m., Daily—Washington & Chattanooga Limited. (Via Lynchburg). Coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, New Orleans. Dining car.

10:17 p. m., Daily, first section—Washington and Atlanta limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to Atlanta

11:02 p. m., Daily, second section—Washington and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train, Club and Observation cars to New Orleans.

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Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Columbia Granite & Dredging Corporation will be held at Rooms 1 & 2, Alexandria National Bank Building, Alexandria, Virginia, on Thursday, January 17, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

A. G. Bonnet, Secretary.
310-4d.